State of Arizona Senate Forty-fifth Legislature Second Regular Session 2002



## **SENATE BILL 1201**

AN ACT

RELATING TO INCOME TAX.

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Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Arizona:

## Section 1. Limitations period; retroactivity; refunds

- A. Solely with respect to those federal limited consents executed by homebuilders extending the limitation period for the internal revenue service to assess federal income tax deficiencies related to the use of an alternative cost method for common improvement costs for particular projects, which are required by Rev. Proc. 92-29 as a prerequisite to using the alternative cost method, section 42-1104, subsection B, paragraphs 7 and 8, Arizona Revised Statutes, as amended by Laws 2001, chapter 163, shall apply retroactively to tax years beginning from and after January 1, 1993.
- B. Any claim for refund of income tax based on the retroactive effect of subsection A of this section must be submitted to the department of revenue on or before December 31, 2002 as provided by section 42-1118, Arizona Revised Statutes. A failure to file a claim on or before December 31, 2002 constitutes a waiver of the claim for refund under this section.
- C. The burden is on the taxpayer to establish by competent evidence the amount of any claim for refund and the basis for entitlement thereto as having been assessed on the basis of items not included in the federal limited consent beyond the limitation period as set forth in section 42-1104, Arizona Revised Statutes. The department of revenue shall:
  - Review all timely claims.
  - 2. Determine, on audit if necessary, the correct amount of each claim.
- 3. Notify the taxpayer of its interpretation. The notice is final unless a taxpayer appeals in the manner provided in section 42-1119, Arizona Revised Statutes.
- D. Notwithstanding section 42-1119, Arizona Revised Statutes, the department of revenue shall not make a refund until after a final determination has been made as to the amount of all refund claims filed pursuant to this section. If a taxpayer appeals the department's determination, the department may notify other taxpayers who have filed claims as to the nature of any delay and, if possible, estimate the probable extent of the delay.
- E. The aggregate amount of the tax refunded to all claimants under this section shall not exceed ten thousand dollars. If the aggregate amount of claims under this section that are ultimately determined to be correct exceeds ten thousand dollars, then the amount of each claim shall be proportionately reduced so that the total amount refunded pursuant to this section equals, ten thousand dollars.
- refund if paid before July 1, 2003, but if the refund amount cannot be determined or paid until after June 30, 2003, interest accrues thereafter under section 42-1123, Arizona Revised Statutes, if the reason for the delay is solely attributable to the department and not due to an objection raised by a claimant pursuant to subsection C, paragraph 3 of this section.

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- G. Any taxpayer claiming, through a claim for refund, reduction of an audit assessment, or otherwise, the benefits of this section must execute a waiver of the statute of limitations for a period of time that would allow for any judicial contests to the legality of this section to be finally completed. If any contests have not been finally adjudicated prior to the expiration of the waiver of the statute of limitations, the taxpayer must execute additional waivers until the contests have been finally adjudicated.
- H. If any part of this section is finally adjudicated to be invalid, this entire section is void. The provisions of this section are intended to be nonseverable.



Passed the House April 29, 2002,	Passed the Senate March 28, 2002,
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